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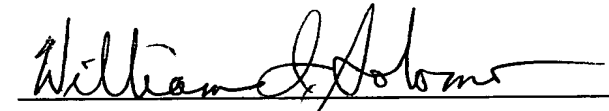
Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 USC §119 and 37 CFR §1.55,  
Applicants hereby claim the right of priority based on  
Japanese Patent Application No. 9-196759, filed in Japan on  
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A certified copy of the above-mentioned Japanese Patent  
Application was filed in prior application Serial No.  
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3. ☒ Drawing(s) 35 USC 113 [Total Sheets 10]
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- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed) [Note Box 5 below]
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
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- a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
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- c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

8. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
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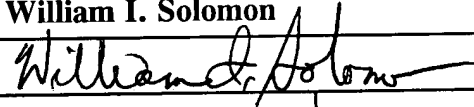
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